

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Minutes and Informal Instructions of the Open Meeting of Friday, November 21, 2014

The Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (Commission) met as noticed. Present were Chairperson Montgomery, Commissioner Callisto and Commissioner Nowak.

Minutes

The Commission approved the minutes of the open meetings of Thursday, November 6, 2014, and Friday, November 14, 2014.

5-GF-257 - Joint Application for Approval of an Amendment to an Existing Boundary Agreement Between Wisconsin Public Service Corporation and Wisconsin Gas LLC in the Town of Stiles, Oconto County

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

5-CE-147 - Application of Wisconsin Electric Power Company, Madison Gas and Electric Company and WPPI Energy for Authority to Construct a Site Bulk Material Handling Project at Oak Creek Power Plant and Elm Road Generating Station

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

3280-WR-113 - Application of Madison Water Utility, Dane County, Wisconsin, for Authority to Increase Water Rates

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

5-FE-100 - Quadrennial Planning Process II

Quadrennial Planning Process II – Renewable Energy Program Proposal

The Commission approved the Final Decision and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

5-CE-136 - Joint Application of Dairyland Power Cooperative, Northern States Power Company-Wisconsin, and Wisconsin Public Power, Inc., for Authority to Construct and Place in Service 345 kV Electric Transmission Lines and Electric Substation Facilities for the CapX Twin Cities-Rochester-La Crosse Project, Located in Buffalo, Trempealeau, and La Crosse Counties, Wisconsin

Petition for Limited Re-Opener to Consider Proposed Route Adjustment

The Commission determined that it would reopen this docket and set a ten-day comment period for the limited purpose of accepting new evidence as it pertains to the Lizzy Pauls Pond route adjustment as described in the applicant's petition.

The Commission delegated authority to the Administrator of the Gas and Energy Division to review any comments received and to draft an appropriate order. If no comments are received, the Secretary to the Commission is directed to issue an order approving the requested realignment.

The Commission directed the Gas and Energy Division to draft an order to reopen consistent with its decision.

3270-GF-101 - Madison Gas and Electric Company's Electric Risk Management Procurement Program

The Commission approved the revised risk management plan for electric operations through December 31, 2018, filed on behalf of Madison Gas and Electric Company (MGE). MGE shall continue to abide by all other conditions set forth in prior Final Decisions issued in this docket.

The Commission directed the Gas and Energy Division to draft an order consistent with its decision.

3270-GF-103 - Request by Madison Gas and Electric Company for Approval to Implement Additional Hedging Activity in its Natural Gas Procurement Risk Management Program which was Approved Under Amended Order in Docket 3270-UR-109

The Commission approved the revised risk management plan for natural gas operations filed on behalf of MGE. MGE shall continue to abide by all other conditions set forth in prior Final Decisions issued in this docket.

The Commission also determined that MGE may purchase hedges under the revised risk management plan through December 31, 2018.

The Commission directed the Gas and Energy Division to draft an order consistent with its decision.

CLOSED SESSION – The Commission recessed the open meeting, went into closed session under Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(g) to discuss the litigation matters noted below with legal counsel, and reconvened the open meeting pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(2).

Commissioner Callisto moved, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(g), that the Commission convene in closed session to discuss the litigation matters listed below. Commissioner Nowak seconded the motion. The motion was carried and the Commission went into closed session.

After a discussion in closed session, the Commission reconvened in open session.

FERC Docket No. ER15-358-000 – Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.

Request of MISO and MISO Transmission Owners for Incentive Adder to Return on Equity, Effective 11/7/14, for Participation in Regional Transmission Organization

Status Report from Counsel

During the discussion held in closed session, information was presented to the Commission regarding the above litigation matter. No motion was made with respect to this item.

FERC Docket No. EL14-12-000 – Association of Business Advocating Tariff Equity Coalition of MISO Transmission Customers, et al., v. Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc., et al.

Status Report from Counsel

During the discussion held in closed session, information was presented to the Commission regarding the above litigation matter. No motion was made with respect to this item.

The Commission adjourned the meeting at 10:52 a.m.

Sandra J. Paske
Secretary to the Commission